

How To Complete the Part-Time Appointment Renewal Process in FHS DB (Faculty)

TARGET AUDIENCE: FACULTY WITH PART-TIME/ADJUNCT APPOINTMENTS

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OVERVIEW

This document outlines how to use **FHS DB** to complete your part-time faculty appointment renewal application.

In the past, this process was completed using paper and/or PDF application forms. A new, digital process has been implemented to facilitate appointment renewal, eliminating the need for application forms and signatures.

LOGIN TO FHS DB

Go to https://fhsdb.mcmaster.ca/. You must log in to the system using your MacID. Your MacID must be activated before use.

If you have not activated your MacID, please see these instructions: How to Activate your MacID.

Once your MacID is activated, you will then need to set up **Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)** for security purposes. The MacID activation instructions also provide instructions for setting up MFA.

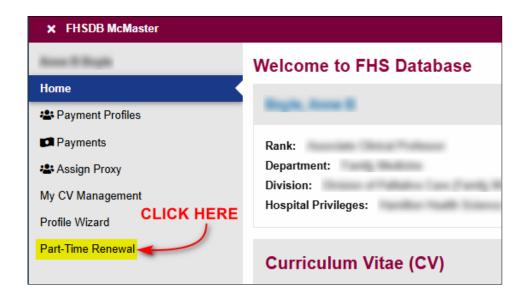
If you have any questions about how to log in, refer to this user guide on our website: How to Login to FHS DB.

RENEWAL APPLICATION

NAVIGATING TO YOUR APPLICATION

On the left sidebar menu, you will see an item called "Part-Time Renewal".

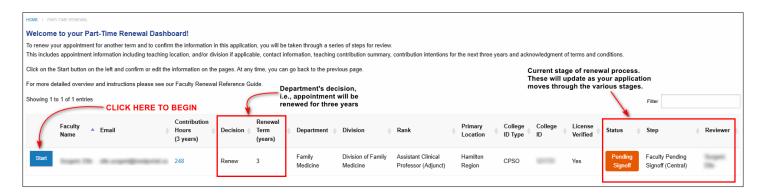
Click on "Part-Time Renewal" to begin the process:





PART-TIME RENEWAL DASHBOARD

You will be brought to a screen containing an overview of your appointment renewal. Click the blue "Start" button to begin your review and signature process:



If you do not see the Start button, please contact the academic coordinator for your department or teaching location (this is the person contacting you to complete this process).

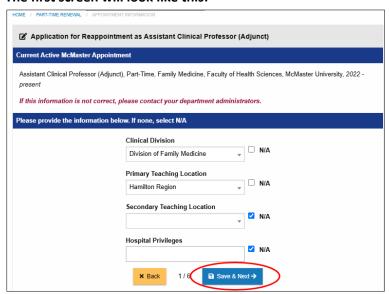
STEP 1: INFORMATION REVIEW

First, you will be asked to review and confirm or update the following:

- information about your appointment, such as division, teaching location, and hospital privileges, if applicable
- your contact information, including addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses

If you have previously completed the Profile Wizard in FHS DB, the information you provided will appear for your review and confirmation.

The first screen will look like this:



- Click "Save & Next" to go through the Wizard and confirm or update address(es) and email address(es)
- The "Back" button will bring you to the previous screen
- In the case of this first screen, click the "Back" button to exit without completing the application



STEP 2: REVIEW OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Next, you will be asked to review and confirm the summary of contributions that you have completed over the last 3 years of your appointment. Contribution requirements are per McMaster Supplementary Policy Statement A4 (SPS A4), Procedures for Other Appointments within the Faculty of Health Sciences, and at the primary department's discretion.

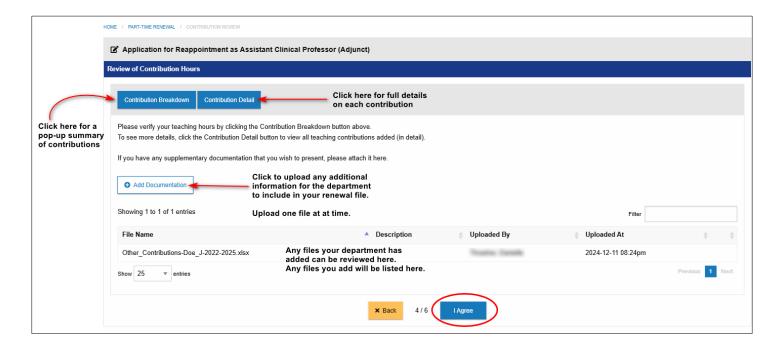
To review your contributions made to programs in McMaster's Faculty of Health Sciences and entered into FHS DB as part of the credited contributions system:

- Click "Contribution Breakdown" for a summary (will open a box on the same screen)
- Click "Contribution Detail" to see the details of each contribution (will open a new tab in your browser)

In addition, if you are involved in other mutually agreed upon contributions that are not captured by the credited contributions system:

- Your department may have uploaded documentation, which you may review
- You may upload documentation outlining contributions that have not been otherwise captured

If you have questions about your contributions, please contact the academic coordinator for your department or teaching location (this is the person contacting you to complete this process).



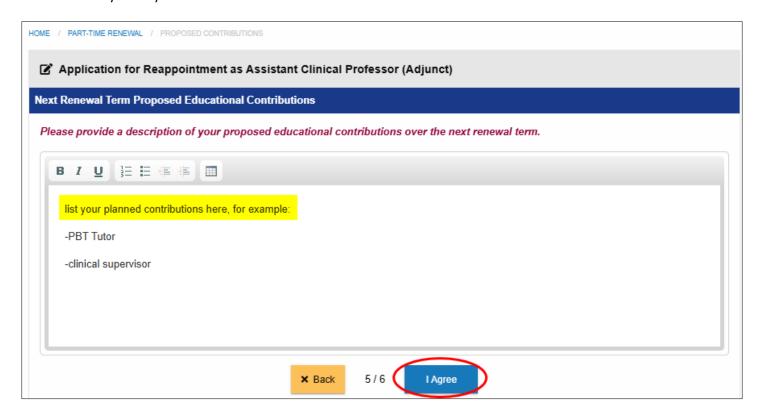
Click "I Agree" to advance to the next screen, or "Back" to go to the previous screen.



STEP 3: CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NEXT 3 YEARS

After reviewing the contributions made during the current appointment period, you will be asked to provide information about the contributions that you intend to make during the next appointment period.

Please note: if you copy and paste any special characters, such as quotation marks, bullet points, etc., they will not show up properly on your final renewal application file. Please address this in the text box by deleting and replacing them with a character on your keyboard.



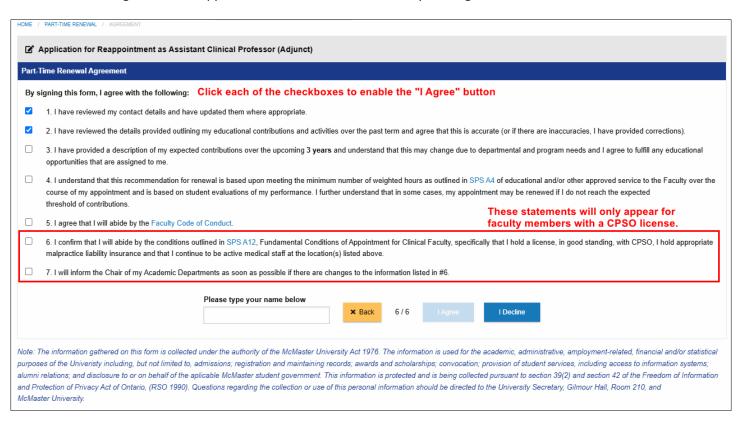
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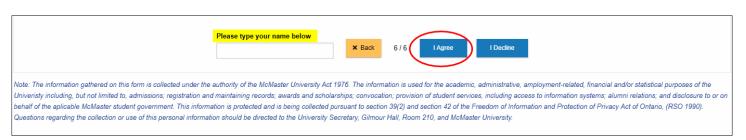
STEP 4: APPLICATION SIGN-OFF

If you agree with the appointment renewal:

1. Acknowledge the list of appointment terms and conditions by clicking the checkbox next to each one:



2. Type your name in the box at the bottom and click "I agree" to accept the appointment renewal:

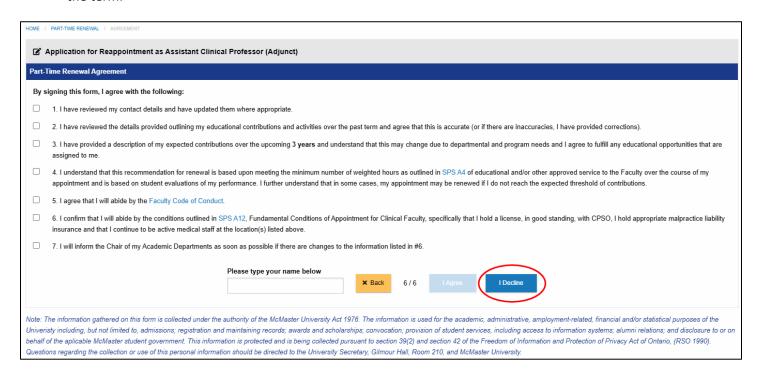


This method replaces the signature that you provided on the application form in the previous process.

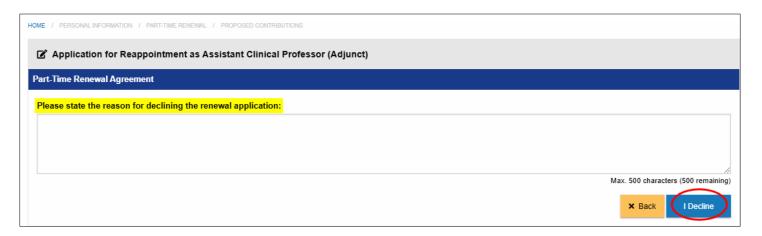


If you wish to decline the appointment renewal:

1. Click the "I Decline" button. Declining indicates that you are requesting to end your appointment at the end of the term.



2. Provide a brief description of your reasons for declining the appointment renewal:





If you **accidentally decline** your renewal, please contact the academic coordinator for your department or teaching location (this is the person contacting you to complete this process).

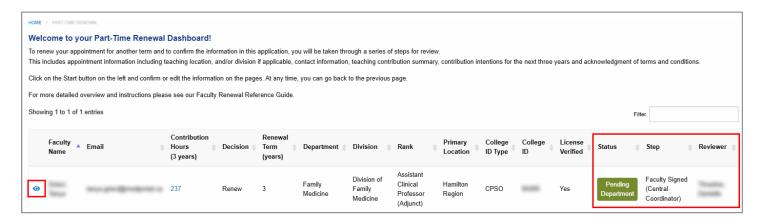


NEXT STEPS IN THE RENEWAL PROCESS

After completing your renewal application, you will be brought back to the Renewal Dashboard screen.

You will be able to monitor the progress of your application, but you will no longer have access to modify anything within your application.

The application will now go back to your department to complete the next steps, which include approval from the location/division and/or department educational leadership, and from the Department Chair. Once all approvals have been obtained, the application will be submitted to the FHS Faculty Relations Office for processing.



The eyeball icon will allow you to view the draft version of your application. This is not the final version until all authorizing signatures from the department have been obtained.

If you have any questions or concerns about the application you submitted, please contact the academic coordinator for your department or teaching location (the person contacting you to complete this process).

NEED SUPPORT?

Please log a service ticket here. All FHS DB User Guides can be found on the FHS DB website.